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The Honorable Claiborne Pell Chairman Committee on Foreign Relations United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Pell:

At your request, I am forwarding herewith the original transcript of the 28 October 1969 executive session between your committee and former Director Richard Helms. This document is classified at the Top Secret level and must be stored at the storage facility of the Select Committee on Intelligence.

The transcript of the 26 January 1965 executive session between your Committee and former Director John McCone was reviewed by the appropriate officials to determine its current level of classification. The document contains information that must be controlled at the Special Compartmented Information (SCI) level. After a discussion with Ms. Beth Chapman of your staff, it was determined that the SCI information should be excised and a copy of the document downgraded to the Top Secret level. As soon as this is accomplished, the document will be available to you in the Select Committee on Intelligence storage facility.

These documents will be available to staff members of the Committee on Foreign Relations who hold the appropriate clearances. Thank you for your patience.

Sincerely,

7s/ David D. Gries
David D. Gries
Director of Congressional Affairs

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